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This publication presents summary information from the 2003 Wisconsin Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies. Wisconsin had 150 licensed home health agencies and 69,746 home health patients in 2003. There were 3.4 million home health visits during the year.

HOME HEALTH AGENCY CHARACTERISTICS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Agencies by Ownership Type			
Governmental	26	32	44
Nonprofit	65	70	81
Proprietary	59	53	59
All home health agencies	150	155	184

Patients by Ownership Type

Governmental	4,759	5,987	10,716
Nonprofit	53,327	54,765	51,126
Proprietary	11,660	11,294	15,941
All home health agencies	69,746	72,046	77,783

Agencies by Certification Type

Medicare	137	142	175
Medicaid	142	146	175
Personal care	105	112	147
Hospice	35	42	36

HOME HEALTH EMPLOYEES, 2003

Type of Employee	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Part-Time</u>	<u>FTEs Per 100 Patients</u>
RNs	1,533	71%	1.35
LPNs	250	75	0.21
Home health aides	1,537	74	1.15
Personal care workers	2,344	85	1.80
All employees*	7,986	71%	6.74

* Includes all full-time, part-time, and on-leave employees, but excludes contract employees. Data reflect the week of November 30-December 6, 2003.

HOME HEALTH PATIENTS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent Female	60%	59%	63%

Percent by Age

Age 55 and younger	26	25	22
Ages 55 to 64	11	10	8
Age 65 and older	63	66	70
Age 85 and older	19	19	19

Home Health Utilization Rate (Patients per 1,000 Population)

Total Population	12.7	13.4	15.2
Female	15.1	15.7	18.8
Female 65 and older	66.6	71.3	87.2
Female 85 and older	123.3	136.7	169.7
Male	10.2	11.2	11.5
Male 65 and older	54.1	60.7	68.7
Male 85 and older	130.5	160.9	192.2

Number Admitted	63,058	68,848	71,054
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Percent by Place from Which Admitted

Private residence	26%	24%	23%
General hospital	59	61	60
Nursing home	8	6	7
Other	7	9	10

Number Discharged or Died	62,429	68,847	68,822
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Percent by Place to Which Discharged

Private residence	78%	73%	68%
General hospital	8	14	16
Nursing home	4	4	5
Other	7	7	7
(Deaths)	(3)	(3)	(4)

Number of Patients on a Typical Day**	n/a	7,243	11,199
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**The “typical day” for 2000 was in December; for 1995 the “typical day” was on April 15, 1996. The survey did not include this question in 2003.

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent by Pay Source***			
Medicaid	15%	14%	14%
Medicare	55	56	59
Family Care	1	n/a	n/a
Private insurance (exclu. HMO)	16	14	11
Private managed care/HMOs	8	8	4
Self pay	4	5	7
Other	2	3	5

Percent with Selected Diagnoses

Cardiovascular disease	14%	15%	16%
Arthritis	12	10	7
Cancer	7	8	8
Respiratory diseases	5	7	7

HOME HEALTH SERVICES

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Percent of Patients by Type of Service***			
Skilled nursing	83%	75%	49%
Home health aide	23	23	20
Physical therapy	38	30	11
Personal care	10	10	5

Percent of Agencies Providing Services at:

Adult Family Homes	39%	51%	51%
Residential Care/Assisted Living Apts.	41	61	n/a
Community-Based Res. Facilities	66	72	n/a

HOME HEALTH AGENCY REVENUE (SELF-REPORTED)

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1995</u>
Total Agency Revenue (in millions)	\$213.4	\$194.1	\$244.5
Medicare	46.2%	44.0%	53.1%
Medicaid	32.8	35.7	25.1
Other government	6.1	3.5	3.3
Third party	11.1	10.0	11.0
Self pay	2.4	4.7	5.0
Other sources	1.5	2.2	2.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

*** Each patient can have more than one pay source or type of service.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The source of data for these tables is the Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies, conducted by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, in cooperation with the Bureau of Fee-for-Service Health Care Benefits, Division of Health Care Financing; the Bureau of Quality Assurance, Division of Disability and Elder Services; and Wisconsin-licensed home health agencies.

The 2003 survey population consisted of 150 home health agencies. The survey form was sent to all Wisconsin home health agencies in April 2004 along with the Bureau of Quality Assurance’s annual report form (which has replaced a license renewal form). Only agencies that were still in operation in April 2004 were mailed the 2003 survey. Agencies operating in 2003 that did not complete the survey had either closed before April 2004, or closed within a few months.

Please note that the Annual Survey of Home Health Agencies **does not include agencies that provide personal care only.** (It does include those agencies that provide both home health care and personal care.)

Home health services are performed by either a registered nurse, a home health aide (under the supervision of a registered nurse), a licensed practical nurse, or a licensed therapist. These services may include skilled nursing, respiratory care, home health aide, personal care, medication management, medical social services, and physical, occupational, and speech and language therapies provided by a qualified individual in accordance with a patient's plan of care. *Personal care services* are performed by personal care workers under the supervision of a registered nurse. These services assist an individual with activities of daily living necessary to maintain the individual in his or her place of residence in the community, such as assistance with bathing, transferring, personal hygiene, changing bedding and clothing, toileting, meal preparation, and light housekeeping.

Detailed information on Wisconsin home health agencies and their patients can be found in the report, *Wisconsin Home Health Agencies and Patients, 2003*. Agency-specific information can be found in *Wisconsin Home Health Agency Directory, 2003*. Both publications are available online at:

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/provider/homehealthagencies.htm>

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A wide variety of health statistics is available on the DHFS Web site: <http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/stats>

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